



Frederick Report

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for its residents and businesses

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Community Vision

"A dynamic picturesque community that offers diverse opportunities while respecting its heritage and planning for its future"

Community Priorities

- Economic Development
- Comprehensive Planning
- Efficient and Effective Government Service
- Regional Cooperation
- Quality of Life



Property Tax Rate Reduction for 2010!

On December 8, 2009, the Town of Frederick Board of Trustees passed an annual budget plan that defines the Town's revenue sources and outlines the major areas of expenditure for municipal services for Frederick's residents and businesses. This year's annual budget also contains a plan to pay off a debt obligation that the Town has been carrying and paying on since 1978. This bonded indebtedness was entered into in order to fund crucial water system improvements which are currently serving the community very well. In order to pay for these needed improvements, the voters of Frederick committed to increase their property taxes until the debt was paid off. The pay-off of the bond will allow for a property tax rate reduction to property owners within the Town of Frederick commensurate with the mill levy increase that was entered into as a result of the 1978 bond election that put it in place. Municipal debt is a common method utilized to allow for the funding of a city or town's infrastructure to be paid for by those residents who receive benefit from it over portions of its useful life. So, while there will always be various needs for Frederick to raise capital by selling bonds, this particular debt for water system improvements will be paid off and property owners within the Town of Frederick will see a slight decrease in the rate that they have previously paid in property taxes. The full budget document containing more information on this subject and many others can be viewed on the town's website.



Zip Codes and Addresses

This past November, Frederick residents within the 80504 zip code area received a letter from the U.S. Postal Service detailing a change in service that would require Frederick residents to drive to downtown Longmont in order to pick up packages and perform other zip code specific postal business. Since this decrease in service would adversely affect several thousand Frederick residents, the Town Board authorized a letter to be sent to Frederick's federal legislators asking for assistance in rectifying this problem. Soon after a letter was sent, the Town was provided with a contact within the U.S. Postal Service and worked with that contact until the problem was solved. Frederick residents within the 80504 zip code area can now pick up packages at the Post Office in Downtown Frederick. While the town's ultimate goal is to work towards establishing a single zip code for all properties within the town limits, this may represent a good first step. As a reminder, if you are receiving this newsletter, your property is located within the incorporated limits of the Town of Frederick and you are authorized to use "Frederick, Colorado" in your mailing address, regardless of your zip code.



Frederick on the Air

On Saturday, January 16 at 6:00 PM, the Town of Frederick will be featured on the AM 1310 KFKA radio show "Talking Business". This wonderful opportunity to promote Frederick to the Northern Colorado business community came as a result of the Director of the Small Business Development Center along with the President of the Upstate Colorado Economic Development Corporation contacting the Town's leadership to ask if Frederick would participate in a promotional interview. While the one-hour show will only air once at the specified time, the audio file of the interview can be found on www.1310kfk.com after the show takes place. Hopefully through efforts like this one, Frederick can continue to gain recognition and add to its growing list of primary employers, retail businesses, and quality residential developments.



January Meetings and Events

12/28/2009 – 1/15/2010

FREE Christmas Tree Disposal
Public Works Maintenance Shop
5949 Tipple Pkwy (WCR 16)
8:00 AM until 5:00 PM

1/1/2010

Town Facilities Closed
(Holiday Observance)

1/4/2010

Art in Public Places Advisory
Commission (Town Hall, 5 PM)
Cultural Arts Advisory Commission
(Town Hall, 6:30 PM)

1/5/2010

Town Board Work Session CANCELED
Planning Commission
(Town Hall, 7:30 PM)

1/6/09

Historic Preservation Advisory
Commission (Town Hall, 5:30 PM)

1/12/2010

Town Board Meeting
(Town Hall, 7 PM)

1/13/09

Parks and Open Space Advisory
Commission (Town Hall, 7 PM)

12/15/09

Board Work Session
(Town Hall, 5 PM)
Planning Commission
(Town Hall, 7:30 PM)

1/18/2010

Town Facilities Closed
(Holiday Observance)

1/19/2010

Town Board Work Session
(Town Hall, 5 PM)

1/26/2010

Mayor's Open Forum
(Town Hall, 5:30 PM)
Town Board Meeting
(Town Hall, 7 PM)

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Contact us

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## Park Planning Grant Award

The Town of Frederick has received confirmation that it will be awarded a Planning Grant from the Great Outdoors Colorado Trust Fund (GOCO). While twenty applications were submitted by various municipalities across Colorado, Frederick's was one of only six that was selected to receive grant funding. Frederick will receive \$50,000 to help fund a "Parks, Open Space, and Trails Master Plan." The grant funds will be matched by Town funds to create a comprehensive plan that will serve the Frederick community for many years into the future in the preparation, construction, and preservation of outdoor recreational amenities. Currently Frederick owns and maintains over 500 acres of park and open space properties and this planning effort will ensure that these properties are being put to the highest and best use for the benefit of the town's residents and businesses. Public participation is strongly encouraged in the creation of this document that will inventory the Town's existing outdoor recreational amenities, define the various types of parks and trails and evaluate their related service areas, prescribe standards for critical components, and devise a program to acquire additional open space for public use. Several public meetings and events will be coordinated and publicized to gather community input from all who wish to participate.



Additionally, the town's seated Parks and Open Space Advisory Commission will play an integral role in advising the town in the creation of the plan. For further information about how to get involved in this effort or for more information about this grant award and the town's plans for its use, please contact the Planning Department by calling 720-382-5500.

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Listening Tour

As mentioned in the December edition of the "Frederick Report," during the month of February the Board of Trustees will be organizing a series of meetings with Frederick residents at various locations around the community for the purpose of more fully reaching out

and listening to community members about their hopes, dreams, and visions for the Town of Frederick. The dates, times, and locations of the meetings will be advertised soon, so watch for more information on this opportunity!

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## Pet Licensing

With the New Year upon us, please remember to purchase your annual license for your pets as soon as possible. The town's licensing program is primarily intended to assist in the retrieval, identification, and safety of lost pets and may prevent a trip to the Longmont Humane Society which will cost the resident hundreds of dollars. Pet licensing is also required by local law and new this year, both dogs and cats are required to be licensed.



The fees are nominal and help the Town to recover some of the costs of the animal control program. The licensing fee for a spayed or neutered dog or cat is \$15. The licensing fee is \$30 for a non-spayed or unneutered dog or cat. Vaccination tags from your pet's veterinarian are required to be displayed on each animal's collar along with the town license tag. Missing animals should be reported to the Frederick Police Department at 720-382-5700 as soon as it is noticed that a pet is missing. The sooner a call is made, the more likely the owner will avoid a trip to Longmont.

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Winter Weather Reminder

During the winter weather season if it is snowing or about to snow, please do not park on the street as this makes it difficult for the



Town's Public Works Department to provide snow removal services within residential areas. Additionally, vehicles parked on emergency snow routes are subject to being towed if snow accumulation reaches or exceeds three inches. To find out if you live on a designated emergency snow route, please visit the "Snow Route Map" on the "Mapping" page of the town's website. During this time of year it is also important to remember to clear the snow from the sidewalks adjacent to your home or business so that pedestrians can pass by more easily and so that the sidewalks will have a longer lifespan. Thanks for your help with this effort!

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